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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Douglas A. SCHEIN et al.

Group Art Unit: 3734

Application No.: 10/646,801

Examiner: D. YABUT

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Docket No.: 115621

For: CANNULAS, CANNULA MOUNT ASSEMBLIES, AND CLAMPING METHODS USING  
SUCH CANNULAS AND CANNULA MOUNT ASSEMBLIES

**SMALL ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND  
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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